

IN THE CLAIMS:

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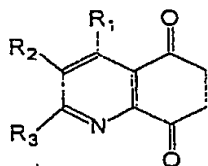
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B1  
A3*

--8. (Amended) Pharmaceutical composition comprising an effective amount of a compound selected from the compounds according to Claim 1 for treating, by virtue of their cytotoxic properties, cancerous tumours and their metastases.

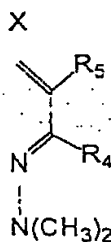
9. (Amended) Use of the compounds as defined in Claim 1 in the manufacture of an anticancer medicament.

10. (Amended) Process for the preparation of compounds according to Claim 1, which consists in:

a) reacting, according to a hetero Diels-Alder reaction, a quinolinedione of formula:

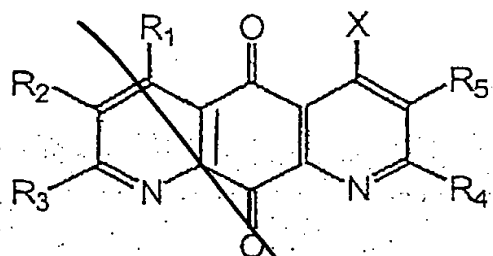


and an azadiene of formula

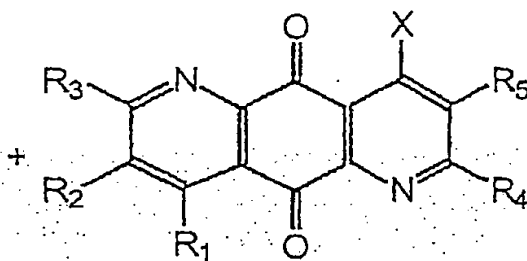


where X = CH<sub>3</sub>,

in order to obtain a mixture of compounds



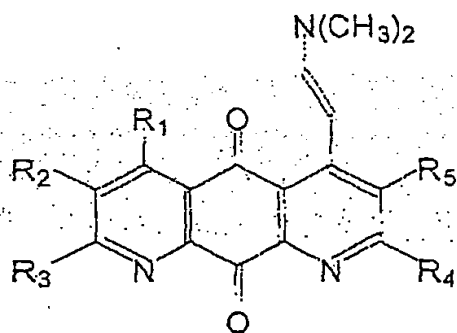
Formula II



Formula IIa

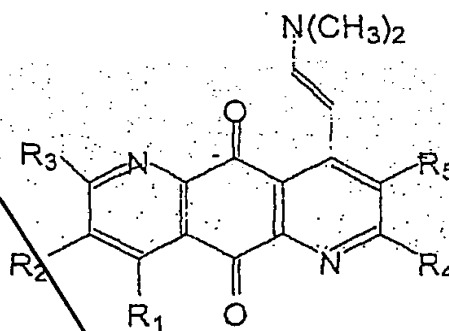
b) optionally separating the compounds of formulae II and IIa,

*A3* c<sub>1</sub>) subsequently reacting a compound of formulae II and or IIa with dimethylformamide dimethyl acetal, in order to obtain an enamine of formula:



Formula III

and/or



Formula IIIa

then functionalizing the enamines, in order to introduce the R<sub>6</sub> and/or R<sub>7</sub> substituents, and cyclizing, in order to obtain the compounds of formulae I and/or Ia,

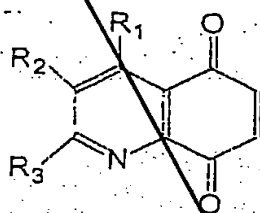
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c<sub>2</sub>) functionalizing and cyclizing at the same time, in order to obtain the compounds of formulae I and/or Ia,

d) optionally separating the compounds of formulae I and Ia.

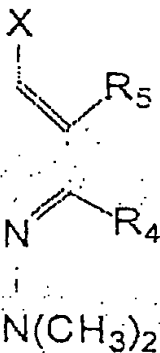
11. (Amended) Process for the preparation of compounds according to Claim 1 of formulae I or Ia in which R6 and R7 are hydrogen atoms, which consists:

a) in reacting, according to a hetero Diels-Alder reaction, a quinolinedione of formula:



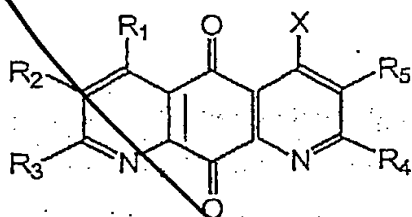
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and an azadiene of formula

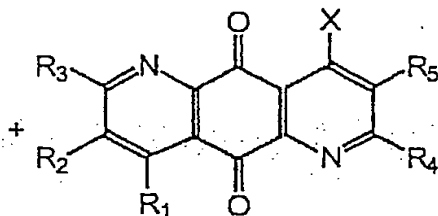


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where X = CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-NHBoc,  
in order to obtain a mixture of compounds



Formula II



Formula IIa

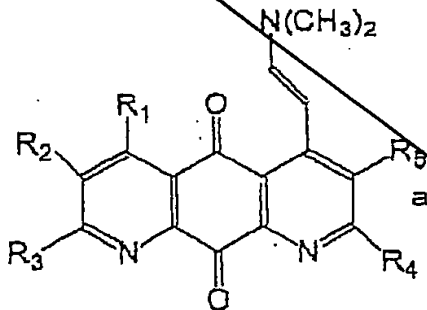
b) optionally separating the compounds of formulae II and IIa,

c) cyclizing a compound of formulae II and/or IIa, in order to obtain a compound of formulae I and/or Ia,

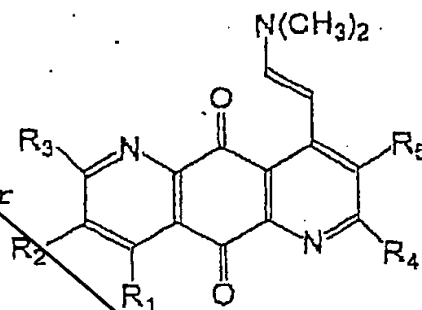
d) optionally separating the compounds of formulae I or Ia.

ADD NEW CLAIM 13:

13. (New) Enamine of formula:



Formula III

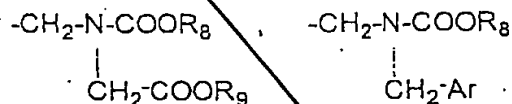


Formula IIIa

in which:

*B1*  
*cont*  
*A4*

$R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4$  and  $R_5$  are selected from hydrogen, halogens,  $C_1-C_6$  alkyl groups, hydroxyl,  $-CHO$ ,  $-OR_8$ ,  $-COOH$ ,  $-CN$ ,  $-CO_2R_8$ ,  $-CONHR_8$ ,  $-CONR_8R_9$ ,  $-NH_2$ ,  $-NHR_8$ ,  $-N(R_8)_2$ ,  $-NH-CH_2-CH_2-N(CH_3)_2$ ,  $-NH-CH_2-CH_2-Cl$ ,  $-NHCOR_8$ , morpholino, nitro,  $SO_3H$ ,



$R_8$  and  $R_9$  being selected from  $C_1-C_6$  alkyl groups and phenyl ( $C_1-C_4$ ) alkyl groups and Ar being a  $C_6-C_{14}$  aryl group. --

IN THE ABSTRACT:

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